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II.—Paid-up Capital \$22,457,500
III.—Fire Funds \$3,637,047
IV.—Life & Annuity Funds \$17,567,550
V.—Sinking Fund Account \$23,230
\$23,970,367
Revenue Fire Branch \$2,381,456
Life and Annuity 2,141,553
Other Branches 337,233
Revenue Marine Department 478,940
Other Receipts 25,330,228
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p.m. every half hour.
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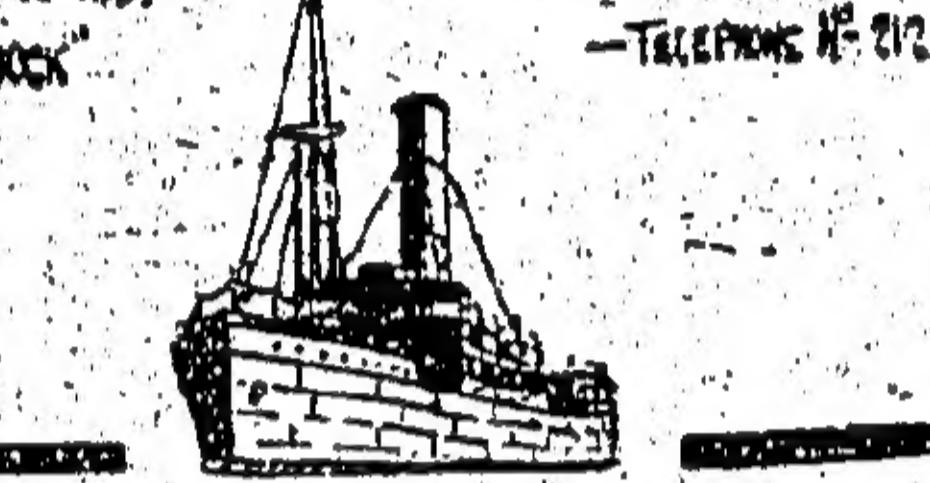
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THE WAR.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

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THE GERMAN STRIKES.

STRIKERS OVERAWED BY
THREATS

LONDON, Feb. 4.
It is very difficult to obtain an
accurate view of the German strike
situation, but it appears, for the
moment, that the threats of calling
in the strikers had the desired effect
and work is gradually being resumed.

The Commander of Berlin threat-
ens offenders with a year's impris-
onment for any further participation
in the direction of a strike.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 4.

A telegram from Berlin announces
that the military authorities are sum-
moning to the colours all soldiers on
leave and men who had been recalled
from the Army for essential trades,
who participated in the strikes.

The Vorwärts states that the trial
of Herr Dittmann has begun before
an extraordinary court martial.

STRIKES AT TRIESTE.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 4.

A telegram from Trieste an-
nounces that the shipyard and factory
workers, struck yesterday, but re-
sumed work today, after interview-
ing the Governor.

THE SUPREME WAR COUNCIL

LONDON, Feb. 4.
General satisfaction is expressed
at the result of the Versailles Con-
ference.

M. Clemenceau, who presided
throughout the Conference, in an
interview said: "For four days we
worked and argued and the last day
was decisive, when even the most
delicate points were settled."

PARIS, Feb. 4.

The Versailles Conference rose
yesterday afternoon.

The Petit Parisien says that Lord
Milner will remain in Paris and will
confer with M. Clemenceau to-day,
concerning food supplies.

The Echo de Paris states that a
clear understanding has been attain-
ed as to what it is necessary to do
to meet the forthcoming German
attack.

It is reported that 150 were arrested
in Berlin last week and special court
martial began sittings.

POLITICAL RESISTANCE TO BE SMASHED.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 3.

The Hamburg *Frederiksborg* says
The strike has broken out at all the
industrial works in Lübeck.

Other German papers report that the
strikes have ended at Cologne, Bonn,
Breslau, Leipzig and Ludwigshafen, but
have extended to Dresden.

Troops prevented a demonstration
before the Royal Palace at Munich and
arrested a number of Socialists' strike
leaders.

A proclamation by the General Com-
manding at Münster declares that
extensive propaganda based on the
ideas of the Russian revolution has
resulted in some sections of the popula-
tion acting reasonably against the
Fatherland and declares that political
resistance will be smashed.

THE EAST AFRICAN CAMPAIGN.

INTIMATIONS

UNION WATERBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of Messrs. DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, ON TUESDAY, the 5th February, 1918, at 11.30 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to 1st December, 1917.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 20th January to 6th February, 1918, both dates inclusive.

DODWELL & COMPANY, LTD.
General Managers.
Hongkong, Jan. 25, 1918.

INTIMATIONS

SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE, HONGKONG.

"St. George's Day" 23rd April, 1918

DRAWING OF WAR BONDS

IN AID OF WAR CHARITIES

\$500,000

(HONGKONG CURRENCY)

or more or less according to subscriptions.

PROSPECTUS

Tickets \$5.00 each.

PRIZES to be paid in Bonds of the Hongkong Government 6% War Loan of 1916 (which may be redeemed at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation at par) and, in order to ensure that the scheme is productive of "new" money for war purposes, an equivalent amount of the prizes will be reinvested by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation in new British War Loan Stock.

Of the net amount subscribed, 75 per cent. will be distributed in prizes, and the remaining 25 per cent. will be given to War Charities.

HONGKONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL MEETING will be held at the CITY HALL on WEDNESDAY, February 8th, at 12 Noon. Mr. T. F. Horan will take the Chair.

K. MCKENNY,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, Feb. 2, 1918.

The amount to be distributed in prizes will be divided as follows:—

First Prize, 50 per cent.

Second " " " " 15 "

Third " " " " 10 "

Numerous small prizes ranging in amount from 25 "

H.K. \$1,000 to H.K. \$50.

Winning Tickets must be presented at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hongkong, during business hours.

Should any winning ticket not be presented before noon on the 23rd October, 1918, the ticket will be cancelled, and the value will be distributed amongst War Charities by the Committee of St. George's Society of Hongkong through the medium of the Hongkong War Charities Fund Committee.

The Drawing will be in public, and the date and hour at which it will take place will be notified in due course by advertisement.

The sale of tickets will close in Hongkong on Saturday, the 13th April, 1918.

Any disputes arising will be decided by the Committee of St. George's Society of Hongkong whose decision shall be final.

The names of the members of the Committee are:—

Hon. Mr. P. H. Holtax (President).

N. J. STARS, Esq. (Vice-President).

His Honour Mr. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ.

G. S. ARCHIBALD, Esq.

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L. N. LEPP, Esq.

Hon. Mr. H. E. POLLACK, K.C.

J. H. RAMSEY, Esq. (Hon. Treasurer).

JOHN SWEENEY, Esq. (Hon. Secretary).

Tickets and Books of Tickets can be had on application at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on and after a date to be announced shortly.

H. C. SANDFORD, (Hon. Treasurer), CHAS. BESWICK, (Hon. Secretary).

Mr. George's "War Bond" Drawing.

Hongkong, Feb. 2, 1918.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,

General Managers.

Hongkong, Jan. 26, 1918.

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THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-NINTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Company's Offices, Victoria Buildings, on SATURDAY, 9th February, 1918, at 11 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Reports of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1917.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 4th February to the 14th February (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

A. SHELTON HOOVER

Secretary to the

HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT &

AGENCY CO., LTD.

General Agents for the

KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING

CO., LTD.

Hongkong, Jan. 30, 1918.

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NOTICE.

THE UNITED BRITISH INSURANCE CO., LTD.

(INCORPORATED IN ENGLAND)

HAVING been appointed MARINE AGENTS to the above Company, we are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS and issue POLICIES at Current Rates.

UNION TRADING CO.,

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Queen's Buildings,

Hongkong, Feb. 1, 1918.

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Hongkong, Nov. 7, 1917.

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Hongkong, Feb. 2, 1918.

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DAIRY FARM NEWS.

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J. WINDLELL

Manager.

Hongkong, Feb. 2, 1918.

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HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD.

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JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,

General Managers.

Hongkong, Jan. 26, 1918.

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LIMITED.

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Secretary to the

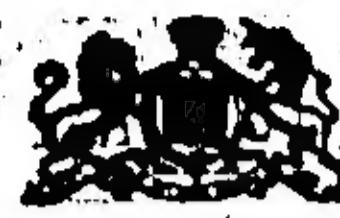
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TENDER.

- 1) The vessel is offered for sale as she now lies with her Engines, Boilers, Anchors and Chains and such other equipment as may be on board, (but no Cargo is to be considered in the Tender).
 - 2) The vessel is now guarded by the French authorities.
 - 3) All Tenders should reach the Office of the Undersigned on or before Noon, SATURDAY, the 9th February, 1918.
 - 4) A Deposit must accompany each Tender, the amount of which may be learned at this Office, said Deposit will be returned in case of non-acceptance of Tender.
 - 5) The Vendors do not bind themselves to accept the highest or any Tender. Further particulars regarding the conditions of sale, and a list of fittings and fixtures to be sold with the ship, can be obtained on application to the Undersigned.
- For and on account of the Concerned,
HUGHES & HOUGH
Hongkong, Jan. 9, 1918.

FOR SALE

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THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,

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Hongkong, August 2, 1917.

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A FLAT in Nathan Road, Kowloon.
Your rooms houses in Kowloon.
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Alexandra Building,
Hongkong, August 22, 1917.

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To-day's Advertisement

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
 BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 24th day of February, 1918, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending the 31st December, 1917.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 11th February, to SATURDAY, the 3rd February, 1918, (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
 N. J. STABE,
 Chief Manager.
 Hongkong, Feb. 5, 1918.

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THE CALENDAR.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.
 12 noon.—Hongkong Benevolent Society meeting at City Hall.
 12 noon.—Prize-giving at Queen's College.

GENERAL MEMORANDA.

TUESDAY, Feb. 7.—
 9.15 p.m.—Concert at Theatre Royal by A. Mirvitch and M. Pastro.
 SATURDAY, Feb. 9.—
 11 a.m.—Kowloon Land & Building Co. annual meeting.
 11.30 a.m.—Humphreys Estate & Finance Co. Annual Meeting.
 MONDAY, Feb. 11.—
 Chinese New Year.
 TUESDAY, Feb. 12.—
 Noon.—Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co.'s meeting.
 SATURDAY, Feb. 13.—
 12 noon.—Hongkong & Shanghai Bank meeting at City Hall.
 MONDAY, Feb. 15.—
 Hongkong Jockey Club Races.
 TUESDAY, Feb. 26.—
 Second day of Races.
 WEDNESDAY, Feb. 27.—
 Third day of Races.

THE "CHINA MAIL".

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The material odds are on the side of the Allies; their cause is just, and their war aims commend themselves as worth the continued struggle. The determination of the Allied people finds constant inspiration in the obvious fact that the peace of the world cannot be assured except upon the basis formulated by the Allies. HINDENBURG told his interviewer: "If for some time yet we maintain our strength and exercise patience, we shall carry it to a good end." It is becoming obvious that Germany's patience as well as her strength is failing. The Germans have recently called up class 1920—lads who are not yet eighteen, while even the French have not yet called up any of class 1918. The serious strike epidemic, which the most severe military measures scarcely serve to subdue, is eloquent evidence of Germany's loss of "patience." Germany's hope of victory lies entirely in the "U" boat campaign, and we have the word of the British First Lord of the Admiralty for it that "the submarine is held." A survey of the war situation gives every hope of the war ending this year in victory for the Allies.

DEATHS.

BLAKE.—On January 29, at Shanghai, H. N. BLAKE, of the Chartered Bank, aged 33 years.

GRAHAM.—On January 28, 1918, at No. 17 Great Western Road, Shanghai, WILLIAM DRUMMOND GRAHAM.

Mr. G. P. de Martin will deliver a lecture at the Helena May Institute on Friday the 8th inst., at 5.30 p.m. Subject: "Lorenzo di Medici." The lecture is open to members and their gentlemen friends.

An interesting and instructive Paper on Ancient and Modern Road Construction, read before the Engineering Society of the Hongkong University on the 22nd ult. by Mr. H. E. Goldsmith of the Public Works Department, has been published in pamphlet form.

The fortnightly meeting of the Union Church Guild will be held in the Lecture Hall, Kennedy Road, tomorrow at 8 p.m. when a lecture will be delivered by Mr. M. Manuk, the subject being "Man—his nature, his powers and his responsibilities." The lecture is open to the public.

Six cases of diphtheria (two fatal) and six cases of enteric fever (two fatal) were notified to the Medical Officer of Health last week. Only one case of each disease occurred in the city of Victoria. Of the enteric fever cases one was British, two Chinese and the rest Dutch. Of the diphtheria cases one was Portuguese and the rest Chinese. There were also two Chinese cases of small pox, one fatal.

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The General Post Office arrangements for the Chinese New Year Holidays are as follows:—Monday, the 11th inst. being Chinese New Year, the Post Office will be entirely closed. There will be no delivery or collection of correspondence from the Pillar Boxes. Non-Boroughs may, however, obtain their ordinary correspondence on application at the currency counter at the south-west of the building. On Tuesday, the 12th inst., the Post Office will be open from 8 to 9 a.m., and there will be one delivery and one collection of ordinary letters as on Sundays. The Money Order Office will be closed.

On "Our Day," boys from this School sold Books in aid of the Red Cross Fund and handed in the sum of \$880.00.

Chinese Band has been formed and has become very popular, its services

SAIYINGPIN SCHOOL

ANNUAL PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

The annual prize distribution of the Saiyungpin School took place to-day at noon.

The Hall of the School was profusely decorated with flags, palms, and fancy shades over the lights, presenting a very pretty scene.

There was a good attendance of the parents and friends of the pupils and practically all the scholars were present.

The day was marked by the fact that it completed a record year for the School in attendance, and over 80 scholars were the recipients of silver medals, suitably inscribed, for full attendance during the year.

The School now contains 440 scholars. The Education Committee has recommended a reduction of the number by about 25 per cent owing to inadequate accommodation.

A guard of honour, consisting of the Saiyungpin Section of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, under Mr. Ray, came smartly to attention on the arrival of the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G., who distributed the prizes.

On the platform were the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G., Sir Charles Eliot, K.C.M.G., Mr. A. Morris, Headmaster of the school, Mr. E. Raikes, Inspector of Schools, Major Morgan and Mr. Ho Kom Tong, the donor of the Scholarships last year.

The ceremonies were opened by a recitation by two diminutive Chinese scholars, which was very well delivered and much applauded.

The Headmaster then read the Report as follows:—

THE REPORT.

The Maximum Enrolment was 474 (499 in 1916).

The Minimum Enrolment was 318 (393 in 1916).

Average attendance was 403 (349 in 1916).

The School retains its popularity among the Chinese and a large number of applicants had to be refused admission, in consequence of lack of accommodation. During the year no less than 50 boys have made the maximum number of attendances.

The discipline of the School is excellent and the work done is highly satisfactory.

Reading and conversation are good throughout, but especially so in the lowest Classes, where "beginners" receive their first instruction in English from an English mistress. Mrs. Morris' Handwriting is particularly good throughout the School, the special attention devoted to this subject being apparent in all Classes. In the Arithmetic papers also, neatness and good arrangement were noticeable throughout.

Object Lessons have been intelligently given. In all Classes, good sketch maps were drawn in connection with Geography papers.

In Class 1, a boy caught in two Divisions, showed a few weak papers in Arithmetic, in both Divisions. With this exception the Class did excellent work.

In Class 5, two Divisions—the work was very good, except in Arithmetic in the A Division, and in Arithmetic and Geography in the B Division.

In Class 6, taught in three Divisions, the third consisting of newly admitted boys. The A Division did very well throughout; B Division was weak in Arithmetic. The C Division did a Mid-Term Examination did highly creditable work.

Class 7, in three Divisions, two consisting of newly admitted boys, showed very good results in all subjects.

Class 8 was very good, although there was a tendency to weakness in Arithmetic.

The Beginners' Class, taught in three Divisions. Excellent results were shown in these Classes, where English is taught with great success.

The members of the Education Committee paid several visits to the school during April and May, and expressed great satisfaction with the work done. Mr. Ponsonby-Fane, one of the members, wrote:—"The relations of the Headmaster and scholars appeared to be peculiarly happy at Saiyungpin School."

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TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

THE SUPREME WAR COUNCIL.

COMPLETE AGREEMENT ON ALL QUESTIONS.

LONDON, Feb. 3.

The Press Bureau announces that the Supreme War Council at Versailles carefully considered Count Hertling's and Count Czernin's speeches, but were unable to find an approximation to the moderate conditions laid down by the Allies. This conviction was deserved by the contrast between the idealistic of the Central Powers at Bratislava and the plan of conquest and spoliation now openly disclosed. The Supreme War Council therefore decided that our immediate task is a most vigorous prosecution of the war until a change in the enemy's temper justifies the hope of peace on terms not involving the abandonment of freedom and justice in the face of an aggressive and unscrupulous militarism. The Council secured complete agreement on all questions, both of policy and the measures of execution thereof.

A BAND OF BROTHERS.

LONDON, Feb. 3.

The Observer's Military Correspondent learns that the British General Staff and Higher Command recognise the value of the new machinery of the Versailles Council of military leaders. The London General Headquarters and Versailles are working together as a band of brothers.

No official proposal has yet been put forward for the creation of a Generalissimo of the whole Western Front.

HAPPIEST RESULTS ACHIEVED.

PARIS, Feb. 3.

M. Clemenceau, interviewed after the sitting of the Allied War Council at Versailles yesterday, said: "The happiest results had been achieved. Saturday's sitting was particularly satisfactory."

THE WESTERN FRONT.

GENERAL ACTIVITY.

LONDON, Feb. 3.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—

We repulsed a raid at Poecappelle. Patrol encounters resulted to our advantage southward of Lens.

There has been hostile artillery activity at La Vacquerie and southward of Lens.

LONDON, Feb. 3.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—

We drove off raiders who suffered loss eastward of Polygon wood.

Hostile artillery has been active south-eastward of Epehy, in the neighbourhood of the Arras-Cambrai road, southward of Armentieres and in the Ypres sector.

NAVAL AIRCRAFT ACTIVITY.

LONDON, Feb. 3.

Admiralty aircraft bombed Varsenare aerodrome yesterday morning and obtained a direct hit and a fire broke out.

We destroyed one enemy machine. All of ours returned.

OPERATIONS IN PALESTINE.

FURTHER SMALL ADVANCE.

LONDON, Feb. 3.

A Palestine official message says:— We advanced slightly in the vicinity of Arnouts, northward of Jerusalem. We destroyed twelve enemy aircraft during January.

A MIDDLESEX REGIMENT ANNIVERSARY.

SPECIAL SERVICE AT THE CATHEDRAL TO-MORROW.

To-morrow being the first anniversary of the eventful occasion when the Tyndores, which brought the Middlesex Regiment to the East, struck a mine, imperilling the lives of all on board, a special service is being held in St. John's Cathedral.

The men of the regiment will leave Victoria Barracks at 9.40 a.m. and march to the Cathedral, the service taking place at 10 o'clock. The Bishop of Victoria will take the service.

SHAN CHIEFS' LOYALTY.

GIFT TO KING-EMPEROR.

OVER A LAKA FOR AERONAUTICS. Delhi, 13th January. The Societe de Hippo, Tawnping, and Sons, Hongkiang, the Board of Education administering North Henan, in the Northern Shan States, have offered, as proof of their loyalty and gratitude to His Majesty the King-Emperor, a joint gift of Rs. 100,000 for the purchase of aeroplanes for use in the war. The gift has been gratefully accepted. The Maharaja of Kashin has also generously offered to subscribe Rs. 100,000 monthly during the continuance of the war. The offer has been gratefully accepted.

The *Natives* of Tawnping was awarded a salute of 8 guns in the New Year Honour.

IN A GERMAN REPRISAL CAMP.

BRUTAL ILL-TREATMENT OF PRISONERS.

AN EASTERN RESIDENT'S EXPERIENCES.

M. Paul Kremer lectured to a large audience at the French Municipal Hall at Shanghai last week on the subjects of his experiences of 14 months' captivity in German reprisal camps. The lecture was given under the auspices of the Alliance Francaise, the French Consul-General, M. Wilden, presiding.

M. Kremer in opening a most interesting description of his experiences in three different camps in Germany, the names of which, for obvious reasons, are not disclosed, said he did so in order that he might give to those present a true conception of the evils which his unfortunate comrades and himself had suffered, and his description would emphasize a truth already well known, but unfortunately sometimes forgotten, that all France, all the Allies and, it was possible to say, all the world was defending itself against a redoubtable enemy who knew neither justice, dignity nor principles.

A GAS ATTACK.

M. Kremer traced his movements from the time he left Chinwangtung with the 18th Colonial Regiment on September 29, 1914. He arrived at Magdeburg on November 27, and on December 15 he had left for the front, where he was under Captain Griller, commandant in Shanghai, had died in April, 1915. M. Kremer went into the traps between Pilken and Langenselk, in Flanders, where for some days he was engaged in installing telephone communication with his artillery. An expected relief was not made, and on April 22 the enemy bombardment indicated the imminence of an infantry assault. Such had been repelled many times already and they did not fear the result of this new effort. They were far from supposing that they were to be the first victims of the infamous procedure of attack by asphyxiation gas.

The lecturer then gave a graphic account of the sufferings of himself and his companions, how under the influence of the gas they became unconscious. He woke to find himself in the hands of his enemies, with a doctor attending him, while a short distance away were five or six other French soldiers, suffering similarly and waiting to be attended.

AN ATTEMPT TO TRAUMA.

The prisoners were taken to Stadea, there deprived of their personal belongings and for the night they slept in a church. At Roulers M. Kremer was placed before a wall, faced by what appeared to be a firing squad with rifles charged, and his eyes banded when suddenly he was unbandaged and led before an officer to be interrogated. This site of torture had been arranged solely to terrify him into speaking freely, but without success.

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The mortality is increasing steadily throughout the whole country. At Liege the number of deaths is 6 per cent. above the average, and the number of births 4 per cent. lower.

Tuberculosis is also spreading among the poor. At Brussels the increase is 30 per cent. for the last year. The health of the children is so much affected by the lack of proper food that it has been found necessary to transport thousands of them by degrees to Holland and the charitable committees have been unable to cope with the increasing demand through lack of means. The proportion of rickety children, which was 4 per cent. in 1914 is now 21 per cent.

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HUN METHODS v. BRITISH.

TERRORISM IN ITALY.

Reuter's Agency last month has received a complete copy of the official proclamation issued to the inhabitants of the conquered territory in Italy. Placed side by side with General Allenby's proclamation to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, which provided for the carrying on of business as usual and the safeguarding of all old buildings and the protection of inhabitants of all creeds, the German documents afford fresh proof of the different manner in which British and German wage war.

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"DEVIL'S MARSH."

M. Kremer then spoke of the second camp in which he was confined. Here the prisoners were sent to a disinfestation and completely shaved from head to foot by Russians and passed through baths of blue grey or greenish waters and finally under a shower bath. They were then sent away to dry themselves in the cold where they were kept waiting for three-quarters of an hour before their sterilized clothing was returned to them. This disinfestation had harmed the lecturer for two days later his legs had swollen to such an extent that he was no longer able to bend them. He went before the doctors, who merely shouted with laughter at seeing him. Before he had fully recovered from this he was awakened and morning at 2.30 o'clock to go to a place called "Devil's Marsh" where he and his companions were told they were in a reprisal camp. They were told by the officer in charge, "I have to inform you that you are in a reprisal camp. You are a collection of wretches and you know that German military law cannot be trifled with. I warn you to be absolutely obedient, for the slightest infraction of discipline will cost you dear. You are here because France has committed some ignoble acts which are not worthy of a civilized country. She has had our brave German soldiers eaten by negroes. Our brave German soldiers are still being martyred in Morocco and guarded by blacks and monkeys—your compatriots. You have got to pay for that, and you will be able to write every day to your families and to influential persons whom you know, that here each day you suffer a little more." The trap was easily seen but, unfortunately, many fell into it.

CAPTIVES DISGRACED.

M. Kremer said the reprisals were rigorous, but were nullified by the camaraderie which existed between the prisoners, whose friendship for each other grew in proportion to their sufferings. For two months and eight days the lecture remained in the Devil's Marsh, during which time many of the prisoners had brought new troubles to bear on the Germans and with a thousand pretences sought to inflict collective punishment upon the unfortunate men.

M. Kremer, whose lecture contained numerous vivid examples of the lengths to which the Germans went to bully and degrade their captives, concluded with a stirring peroration in which he honoured those who had fallen and asked his hearers to prove to the enemy by every means at their disposal that war is war and the enemy is the enemy.—*Y. D. News*.

DON'T COUGH.

I am afraid to allow a cough to hang on and sap your vitality when Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will cure you. You don't know where a persistent cough will land you. You can't afford to allow your throat and lungs to become diseased when it is such a simple thing to step into a chemist's shop and get a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For sale by all Chemists and Drug Stores.

BELGIAN CHILDREN IN HOLLAND.

AN APPEAL.

An appeal is published in our advertisement column to-day for funds to sustain the work which has been in progress in Holland on behalf of the Belgian children who have taken refuge there.

The Committee of the "Enfance Belge" in Holland, moved by the alarming and ever increasing mortality among the little children in Belgium, have since August, 1916, and with the permission of the German authorities organized the bringing of starved, contemptuous, sickly and ailing little ones from Belgium into Holland, where they are cared for, housed, intensively fed, medically attended and clothed for a period averaging six weeks, until they are restored to health. They are then returned to their parents in Belgium, having gained in weight some 2 to 4 lbs. per week.

Unfortunately it is not possible to do this for lack of funds, for there are at the present moment 25,000 or more children waiting in Belgium for their turn to go to Holland, and the number increases weekly and especially since the deportations.

The Committee trust the appeal for the funds made in China for the carrying on of this work and perhaps extending it, will not be made in vain.

CONDITIONS IN BELGIUM.

A statistical study, conducted by medical authorities, of the weights of some 4,000 children in eleven public schools in Brussels, states that in 1916, the average yearly gain in weight for all school ages showed a decrease of no less than 30 per cent., and this in spite of the extra school lunches and the meals for feeble children, which had been provided by the Commission for Relief during the past year.

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COMPANY MEETING.

UNION WATERBOAT CO., LTD.

The thirteenth annual general meeting of shareholders of the Union Waterboat Co., Ltd. was held this morning at the offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd. There were present:—Messrs. S. H. Dodwell (Chairman), R. Shewan, A. O. Lang, A. H. Skelton, J. Jonckheer (consulting committee), G. R. Edwards, T. C. Nixon, M. S. Northcote, E. E. E. F. P. de V. Soorens and G. Morton Smith (Secretary).

AN IMPORTANT CONFERENCE.

PEKING, Feb. 8.

An important conference was held in the Presidential Palace to consider the best means of helping Huipu and also to discuss military affairs in connection with Kwangtung and Fukien.

ILLICIT OPIUM.

A Chinese was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning with being in the unlawful possession of thirty ticals of prepared opium other than Government opium.

Defendant pleaded guilty. He said he bought the opium in Amman.

Mr. Wood imposed on defendant a fine of \$1,500, with the alternative of four months' hard labour, and ordered the opium to be confiscated.

ALLEGED THEFT OF GOLD BANGLES.

A Chinese woman was charged before Mr. Wood this morning with the theft of a pair of bangles valued at \$50, the property of her mistress at Wanchai on October last.

Defendant pleaded not guilty. She said her mistress had given her the bangles in order to induce her to become a prostitute. Not liking the idea of procuring a livelihood by that means, she escaped to Macao.

Inspector Sin said that the defendant was employed as an amah to a Chinese woman at Praya East. Last October, complainant fell sick and defendant, profiting by her illness, stole the bangles and disappeared from the house.

A cousin of the complainant, on a visit to Macao, chanced to locate the defendant. He informed the Macao police and the defendant was arrested.

Mr. J. R. Wood remanded the case until next Friday.

THE BEGGING NUISANCE.

An old Chinese pleaded guilty before Mr. Dyer Bell this morning to the charge of begging.

It was stated that the defendant was seen begging for alms from European ladies in the vicinity of the Hongkong Hotel, and was a continual annoyance to them by his persistence in soliciting alms.

Defendant said he was too old and feeble to do any kind of work.

Mr. Dyer Bell fined the defendant \$5, with the alternative of four months' hard labour.

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The approximate statement of traffic receipts for the month of February, is as follows:

	Receipts for week	Receipts for 5 weeks
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Last year	13,425	63,080
Increase	—	—
Decrease	—	—

The traffic for the month of March, 1917, was \$13,425.

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THE NEW UTOPIA.

RECONSTRUCTING THE LAW COURTS.

[By Judge PARKER in The "DAILY CHRONICLE"]

The Ministry of Reconstruction going to reconstruct the Law Courts and deal with questions of dilution and restriction of output in the two trade unions that protect the interests of the solicitors and the Bar! Legal reform is long overdue.

The old Utopians had no lawyers. They ignorantly regarded them as a sort of people whose profession it is to dispute matters and to resist the law." Every Utopian was his own lawyer, and since they believed that laws were promulgated to bind them men might know their duty, they insisted that their Parliamentary draftsmen should express themselves in simple words used in their plainest and most obvious sense." The Minister of Reconstruction might consider whether some rule of that kind introduced to all our departments might not lead to a business economy and an improvement in departmental syntax.

There will be no need to consider the subject of restoring pre-war conditions to the Bar and the solicitors, for their astute trade unions have never given up any ancient shop rule, however anti-social it might be. In the Vacation Court this very year a solicitor got up to consent to an injunction. Very properly, according to trade union rules, the judge would not allow it. "In the same way as the plumber, when he has pulled out the bell-wire, leaves the job for a plasterer to come along days later and mend the wounded wall, so the solicitor endeavouring to nod his consent was a legal plasterer's job, a thing as Doberry Jr., has ruled "most tolerable, and not to be endured."

LEGAL ECONOMIES.

There are persons who might think that in war time money spent on purely ornamental counsel would be better saved, and that just as we are called upon to cut less bread we might also be exhorted to brief fewer counsels. A Labour friend of mine, who called my attention to the report of the Vacation case, suggested that during the war and for six months afterwards Boy Scouts or Girl Guides might be employed to consent to injunctions, thereby releasing grown men for some mere national service. This is a wrong-headed way of looking at the matter. If only for the sake of public example, it is good that we should see an individual upholding the ancient right of a wife to consent to an injunction at trade rates of one of its members upon an unwilling citizen.

The fact that it is unskilled work is obviously irrelevant. The real point is that it is work the trade union has a monopoly of doing. A man may do the work of nodding his consent himself but if he employs another to do it for him he must employ a member of one particular union.

In the same way, it is good that the full number of judges should be kept up and paid by the State irrespective of the exact amount of work to be done, and it would never do, even in war time, to dilute the High Court with existing judges who are paid smaller salaries than the public should fall into the error of believing that the difference of judicial culture was not proportionately expressed in the rate of judicial pay. That might lead to many inconveniences.

The Minister of Reconstruction will have to consider, however, why the clerks in the County Courts of the country, who do the bulk of the legal clerical work of the country, have for years been underpaid and have never received the status of Civil Servants. These clerks, who have been refused a war bonus, find it difficult to understand why £10,000 can be spent on two judicial incomes when the necessary shillings are denied to them. The whole question of the position of County Court staff will bring up for consideration other questions relating to overlapping jurisdictions and the necessity of co-ordination of all the Courts and their management run on business lines. The Minister of Reconstruction will find that he has a good deal of work to do.

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HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

Orders for Artillery Company by Captain J. H. W. Armstrong, V.D.

PARADES.

THURSDAY, 7th instant.

Right and Left Half Companies. All Officers and N.C.O.s. Musketry instruction at H.K.D.C. Headquarters at 5.15 p.m.

FRIDAY, 8th instant.

7.30 a.m. Right Half Company. Full Parade at Belchers Battery.

8.15 p.m. Left Half Company. Full Parade at Belchers Battery.

Orders for Engineers Company by Captain W. Russell.

1st to 5th February.

E. L. Manning nightly at Belchers and Lyneum. Parades as per Rosters posted at Headquarters.

Engine drivers 6 p.m.

Electricians at 6.30 p.m.

Officers next duty—Belchers, 2nd Lieutenant Marley, Lyneum, 2nd Lieutenant Hill, Stonewallers, 2nd Lieutenant Brown.

Muskettes.

Men as detailed by the Company Sergeant-Major, will be attending a Party Range on Sunday, 4th February, at 6 a.m. Dress Drill order with pouches.

Detail of duties at Lyneum from 1st to 16th February, is posted at Headquarters.

Orders for Infantry Battalion by Major H. A. Morgan.

PARADES.

"B" Company.

THURSDAY, 7th instant.

4.30 p.m. No. 7 Platoon, Annual Musketry Course, Part 3, Practices 13, 14, and 15, at King's Park Range. Dress Drill order with pouches.

FRIDAY, 8th instant.

8.15 p.m. Nos. 5 and 6 Platoons, on Cricket Ground, Platoon Drill. Dress Drill order.

MACHINERY COMPANIES.

Dress for all parallel clean fatigue and uniforms.

WEDNESDAY, 6th instant.

8.15 p.m. Drill at Headquarters Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 only.

THURSDAY, 7th instant.

8.15 p.m. Drill at Headquarters. The following men only need attend: Pte. Field, Irvine, Logan, McKenna, Pinguet, and Stapleton.

FRIDAY, 8th instant.

4.30 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 3, Practices 13, 14 and 15 at King's Park Range. Dress Drill order with pouches.

MOUNTED SECTION.

WEDNESDAY, 6th instant.

8.15 p.m.—"B" Class Signallers—Instruction under Sergt. Mitchelmore at Defence Corps Headquarters. (Dress Clean Fatigue).

Note—Sergt. Merrifield, R.G.A. will attend all these Signalling Parades.

FRIDAY, 8th instant.

8.15 p.m.—Musketry Instruction—All signallers who have not passed the Musketry test (T.E.T.) parade under C. S. M. Blair, Happy Valley (Drill order).

signallers.

TEFRIDAY, 8th instant.

8.15 p.m. Nos. 3 and 4 Sections, on Murray Parade Ground. Musketry instruction. Dress Drill order with pouches. Sergt. Oxberry and Corp. Grimes will attend.

Orders for Cadet Company by 2nd Lieutenant J. E. W. Beard.

WEDNESDAY, 6th instant.

8.15 Nos. 3 and 4 Sections at Gun Club Hill. 8.30 p.m. Band practice at Headquarters. 8.30 p.m. Gymnasium at St Andrews Church Hall. G. E. STEWART, Captain, Adjutant, H.K. Defence Corps.

NEW WAR POEM BY KIPLING.

The Christmas number of "Land and Water," which contains much excellent reading, includes a poem by Kipling, which will take its place among the finest examples of his work. It is called "The Holy War," and has for its text the following from Bunyan's "Holy War":

"For here lay the excellent wisdom of him that built: Mansoul, that the walls could never be broken down nor hurt by the most mighty adverse potentate unless the townsmen gave consent thereto."

We quote the following verses:

A tinker out of Bedford,
A vagrant out in quod,
A private under Fairfax,

A minister of God,
Two hundred years and thirty
And Armageddon came
His single hand portayed it,
And Bunyan was his name!

He mapped, for those who follow,
The world in which we are—
The famous town of Mansoul,
That takes the oily war,
Her true end traitor people,
The gates along her wall,

From Lyre Gate unto Pest Gate,
John Bunyan showed them all

Likewise the Lord of Locessens,
That hamper faith and works,
The Perseverance Doubters,
The Present-Comfort charks,
And brittle intellects—

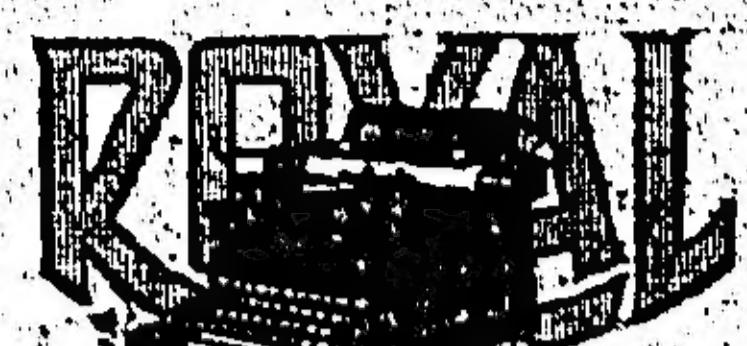
Who crack beneath a strain—
John Bunyan met that helpful net
In Charles the Second's reign,

Now he hath left his quarters,
In Eurnal fields to lie,
The wisdom that he taught us
Is prop to prophecy,

One watch-word through our armies—
Our answer from our lands—
No dealings with Diabolos—
An iron diamond stands—

The poem is engraved with a fine illustration by Mr. Edmund J. Sullivan.

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LOCAL AND REGULAR MAIIS OUTWARD.

FOR WEEK-DATES SUNDAYS & HOLIDAYS

Fri O ... 8.00 p.m.

Fri Po ... 10.00 a.m.

Cheung Chow ... 7.30 a.m.

Santakuk, She-tin and Shoungshui ... 4.00 p.m.

Aberdeen Autan, Ping Shan, Sai Kung, Santan, Stanley ... 4.30 p.m.

Canton ... 5.00 p.m.

Hongkong ... 5.00 p.m.

Macau ... 5.15 p.m.

Kongmoon ... Except Saturdays

Namtau and Samneui ... 5.00 p.m.

Shamchun ... 10.00 a.m.

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Fri ... 1.30 p.m.

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Fri ... 4.30 p.m.

Fri ... 5.00 p.m.

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